## **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**



FIRE DEPARTMENT

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DARYL L. OSBY FIRE CHIEF FORESTER & FIRE WARDEN October 18, 2011

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

APPROVE DONATION OF SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS (SCBA)
WITH MASKS AND BOTTLES TO EL CAMINO FIRE ACADEMY
AND RIO HONDO FIRE ACADEMY
(DISTRICT 4) (3-VOTES)

## **SUBJECT**

The Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District) is requesting approval to enter into separate agreements with two community colleges to donate fifty SCBA with masks and fifty 30-Minute Bottles to the El Camino Community College Fire Academy, and fifty SCBA with masks and sixty 30-Minute Bottles to Rio Hondo Community College Fire Academy.

# IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR HONORABLE BOARD, ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT:

- Find that the 100 Panther SCBA and 110 30-minute bottles are surplus property of the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District).
- Approve the donation of SCBA and Bottles to the El Camino Community College and the Rio Hondo Community College for use in their Fire Academies.

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- 3. Authorize the Fire Chief, or his designee to execute a Donation Agreement, which has been approved as to form by County Counsel, between the District and El Camino Community College and between the District and Rio Hondo Community College.
- 4. Find the donation of the Panther SCBA and Bottles is exempt from requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b) (3) of the State of California Environmental Quality Act guidelines.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Two public community colleges that operate firefighter training programs, El Camino Community College and Rio Hondo Community College have expressed their need to acquire training equipment, specifically SCBA and Bottles, to help support their firefighting curriculum.

Donation of SCBA and Bottles will allow the training academies at these two community colleges to continue meeting the training needs for firefighters with equipment that is serviceable and reflective of current fire department standards. The donation provides a benefit to the District by serving to train future fire fighters, some of whom may work for the District in the future, or at fire departments that provide mutual aid services to the District.

The El Camino Fire Academy and Rio Hondo Fire Academy will accept these Panther SCBA and Bottles in "as is" condition, and are aware that these may have mechanical and cosmetic problems and agree to perform any and all required repairs at their sole cost.

The District finds that the Panther SCBA and Bottles are surplus property to the District. Upon the Board's approval of the donation request, the District will have the donation agreement executed and will initiate the transfer process.

## FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This action will have no fiscal impact to the District, as the Panther SCBA and Bottles are surplus to the needs of the District. Also, there is no impact on net County cost.

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## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS / LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

In December of 2010, the Department completed the transition from the Panther SCBA's with 30 minute bottles to the new Warrior SCBA's with 45 minute bottles.

Panther SCBA's and 30 minute bottles were pulled from service, and are currently stored at the Pacoima SCBA shops awaiting transfer to the Excess Property Unit.

El Camino and Rio Hondo are both registered with the County's Surplus Property Donation Program managed by the Internal Services Department (ISD) and are on the list of authorized agencies approved by the Board to receive surplus property donations.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES**

Donation of the Panther SCBA and bottles will have no impact on current services.

## CONCLUSION

Upon approval, please return a copy of the adopted letter to the following office:

Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County Executive Office, Business Operations 1320 N. Eastern Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90063 Attention: Acting Chief Deputy David Richardson

Respectfully Submitted.

BARYL L. OSBY, FIRE CHIEF

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**Attachments** 

c: Chief Executive Office

County Counsel

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#### **DONATION AGREEMENT**

The Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County, hereinafter referred to as "District", by action of the Board of Supervisors as its governing body, on October 18, 2011, enters into agreement with the El Camino Community College Fire Academy, a non-profit tax-exempt agency, located at 206 West Beach Street, Inglewood, CA 90506, hereinafter referred to as "Donee", for the donation of Fifty Panther Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) with masks, and Fifty Bottles, as indicated in the following tables below. The Board of Supervisor's (Board) has found that the Panther SCBA and Bottles are surplus to the District's needs.

## THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF DONATION

#### Donee certifies that:

It is a nonprofit institution or organization, or a public agency located within the geographic boundaries of the County of Los Angeles, exempt from taxation under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

## Donee agrees that:

- 1. Pursuant to the instructions of the Board, the Donee will use the Panther SCBA and Bottles in a manner beneficial to the residents of Los Angeles County, as served by the District. The donated SCBA with masks and bottles are not being acquired by Donee for any other purpose.
- 2. Upon acceptance of the donated Panther SCBA and Bottles, said Panther SCBA and Bottles becomes the sole property of the Donee, in an "as is", "where is" basis, without guarantee and/or warranty of any kind, and that the District will remove any identification, decals and markings.
- 3. Donee will pick up the donated Panther SCBA and Bottles within ten (10) business days of being contacted by the District that these are ready for pick up. The transfer will occur at the Surplus Office, located in the District's Pacoima Yard at 12605 S. Osborne Street, Pacoima, CA 91331.
- 4. Indemnification: Donee shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless County, and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs and expenses (including attorney and

expert witness fees), arising from or connected with District's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Agreement.

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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County Counsel
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